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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

SUBJECT: Intelligence Needed to Combat International Terrorism

1. Reference: National Foreign Intelligence Board Memorandum NFIB-D-9.9/1, dated 23 September 1976, subject as above.
2. Initiatives to address and strengthen inter-departmental procedures for the management and coordination of intelligence on international terrorism are both timely and relevant. A most pressing need in this regard is to identify what information is currently available within the intelligence community on international terrorism.
3. This, in turn, will greatly facilitate and assist in identifying intelligence gaps and in establishing collection and dissemination priorities. To accomplish this, the establishment of a centralized computer data base would provide an invaluable analytical tool for the collation and processing of data.
4. A capability of this nature would greatly enhance and facilitate the processing of the intelligence essential in countering the international terrorism threat and should be developed by the intelligence community at an early opportunity.
5. Of equal importance is a clear definition of individual agency responsibilities as concerns collection, processing and dissemination of information on international terrorism. Section 4(b)(3), Executive Order 11905 seems to make the collection and dissemination of information on international terrorism the exclusive responsibility of the Central Intelligence Agency. Based on the degree of national concern with the type of threat and the capabilities of the various intelligence agencies to acquire information

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on it--especially through liaison contacts--it should be a validated, general tasking for all intelligence community agencies to acquire and report information on international terrorism. The application of the other operational constraints of Executive Order 11905 would naturally apply.



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